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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN IMPROVED

CONNECTION ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN A

SEMICONDUCTOR PELLET AND BASE SUBSTRATE

ELECTRODES (As Amended)

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STATUS OF CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIM CHANGES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement of 37 CFR § 1.173(c), the following sets forth the status of the claims of U.S. Patent 5,777,391 in the above-identified reissue application. Specifically, patent claims 1 to 103 have been canceled and new claims 104 to 138 have been added in this Reissue Application Serial No. 09/613,541, leaving claims 104-138 pending.

Support for the language newly added to claims 104 and 138 can be found in Figs. 2 - 4 and 10-12 of the Specification (noting that reference to these figures is solely for purposes of example). In particular, as can be seen in these figures, the first and second bump electrodes (e.g., electrode 4 in Fig. 2) are arranged to overlap the semiconductor pellet (e.g., 2) in a plane view (e.g., see Fig. 4). By the amendment filed August 21, 2009, the phrase "A semiconductor device" has been changed to "The semiconductor device" in all dependent claims, as required in the April 21, 2009 Office Action.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 1374.34189R00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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